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**PUERTO RICO MAN SENTENCED TO FEDERAL PRISON FOR TRAVELING TO
SAN ANTONIO WITH THE INTENT TO HAVE SEX WITH A 13-YEAR-OLD GIRL**

(SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS) A San Juan, Puerto Rico man was sentenced today to 105 months in Federal prison without parole for traveling to San Antonio last year with the intent of having sexual intercourse with a 13-year-old girl.

In addition to the prison term, U.S. District Judge Edward C. Prado ordered that 48-year-old **ANGEL LATORRE** be placed on three years of supervised release after completing his prison term.

Following a bench trial, Judge Prado convicted Latorre on April 12, 2002, on two charges: attempting to entice a minor into engaging in criminal sexual activity; and, traveling in interstate commerce with the intent to engage in sexual activity with a juvenile. During the trial, evidence presented to the Court revealed that at the end of October 2001, Latorre accessed an Internet chat room and approached a San Antonio Police officer who Latorre believed was a 13-year-old female child. During that chat room conversation, and several others that followed over the next few weeks, Latorre convinced the "child" to have sex with him during an upcoming visit to San Antonio. On November 28, 2001, Latorre flew from San Juan to San Antonio with the intent to have sexual intercourse with the "child." Upon arriving at pre-designated location, Latorre was arrested without incident by special agents with the Federal Bureau of Investigation and San Antonio Police officers.

Assistant United States Attorney Larry Mathews prosecuted this case on behalf of the Government.

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